

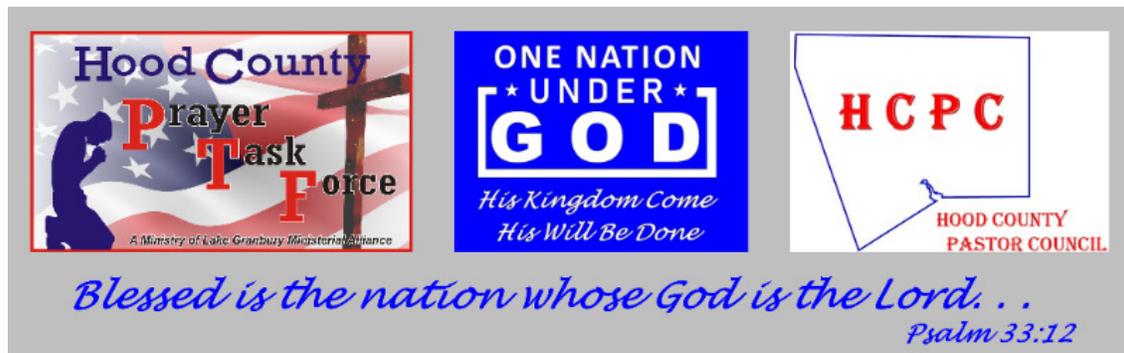
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ONE NATION UNDER GOD Devotional

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### Thanksgiving That He Listens to and Enjoys Our Prayers

“... For I know the plans that I have for you,” declares the Lord, “plans for welfare and not for calamity to give you a future and a hope. Then you will call upon Me and come and pray to Me, and I will listen to you. You will seek Me and find Me when you search for Me with all your heart.”

Jeremiah 29:11-13

### Reflections

Knowing the Father has plans for your good, a future for you to look forward to, and a hope for you to believe in should challenge you to keep lines of communication open with Him. It's great to know that when you call on Him, He promises to listen to you. It's equally wonderful that when you seek Him with your whole heart He will reveal Himself to you.

### Challenge

Consistently express thanksgiving that our loving Father hears and enjoys our prayers. Make it a point to tell Him you enjoy talking with Him.

Don't believe the lie of the enemy that says you're insignificant, you don't matter, or you don't have anything to contribute. Within the Father's vast creation, He also chose to make you. Individually you are marvelous, individually Jesus Christ died for you, the Father desires a personal relationship with you, and He enjoys hearing from you.

You may have a family member or a long time friend that you are separated from geographically, but when you get together it's as if you haven't left each other at all. If you feel distant from the Father, if you feel like your lines of communication are broken, remember, He loves to hear from you. He enjoys listening to you whether your prayers are born out of fear, hurt, frustration, joy, or praise. Even when you don't know what words to say, He understands and hears your heart.

The thought that the creator of our world and the estimated billions of galaxies, which exist in our known universe, knows and hears His children is a brain overload. It's just so hard to comprehend. But it's true; and oh how thankful we should be.

## **Prayer**

Father, thank you for giving me purpose and a plan, thank you for hearing and enjoying my prayers, and thank you for revealing Yourself as I give you my whole heart.

## **For Discussion**

Do you have consistent communication with your Heavenly Father?

What areas of your life have you chosen not to pray to the Father about because you don't think you should bother Him with those requests?



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